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# **Frontiers of Extreme Computing 2007 Zettaflops Workshop**

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- **Schedule Notice**

- **We will start a few minutes late due to important people still eating breakfast**
- **Nathan Price is due to arrive at 2 PM. If he is delayed, we will need to switch his talk with somebody on Wednesday**



# History

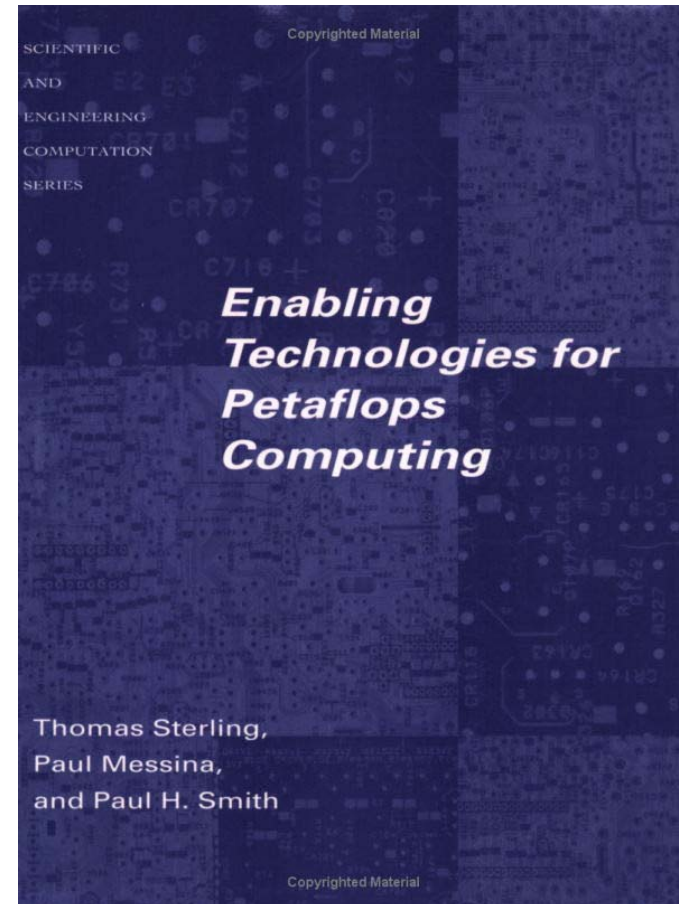
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# History and Book

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- 1994 Petaflops I, Pasadena
- 1999 Petaflops II, Santa Barbara
- 2002 WIMPS, Bodega Bay
- 2005 Zettaflops, Santa Cruz
- 2007 Zettaflops, Santa Cruz
  
- [Note: there were other activities]





# Petaflops/Zettaflops Format

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- **These are interdisciplinary workshops on computation in the future**
  - **Technology is best sold for the benefit of its use to society**
    - **This is an objective of the workshop**
  - **We assemble people representing the self-organized “technology stack” that benefits society through computation, reinforcing our team**



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- We have a unique group
  - Broader: Devices through applications
- There are several post-petaflops activities approaching Congress
- Zettaflops is not a part of any such initiative, but we are funded by DOE, DARPA, and have participation by several other Government agencies, and industry
- Action: Leverage our unique breadth by thinking through the key, broad cross-cutting issue of the day
- See if we can support one or more of the advanced computing initiatives, increasing the likelihood of their getting funded
- The cross-cutting issue: how much value to society will result from different computational technology investments

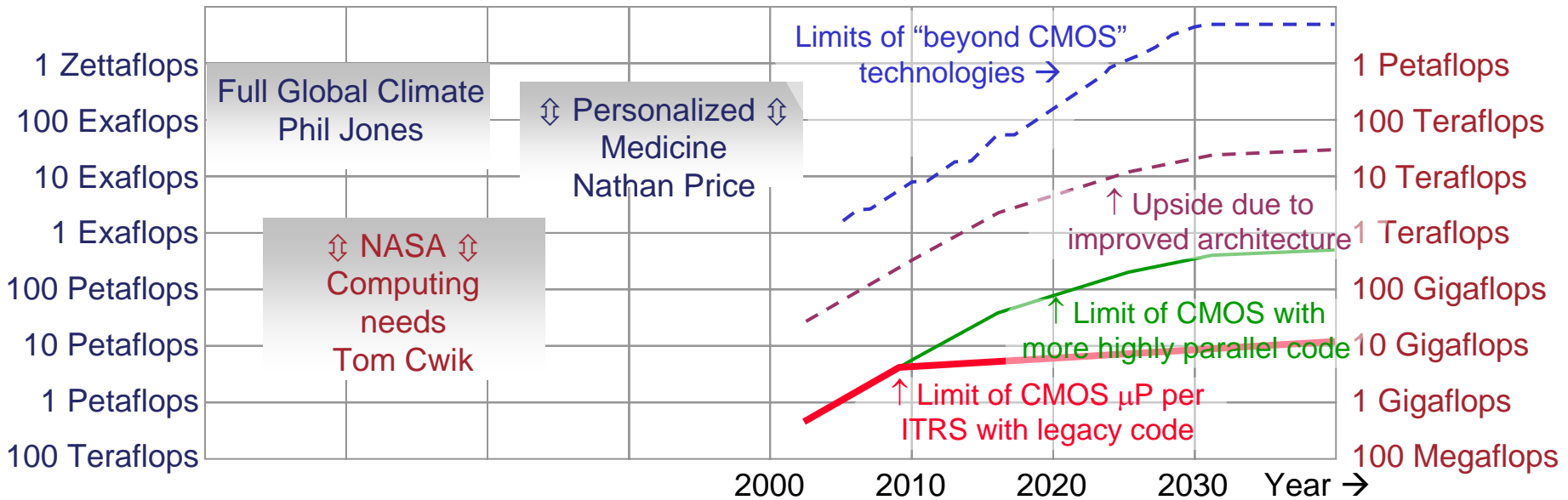
# Objective of Workshop: Fill In Blanks Here

Supercomputer Performance  
(5 MW)

Applications

Technology

Mobile Performance  
(5 W)







# Delivering Result

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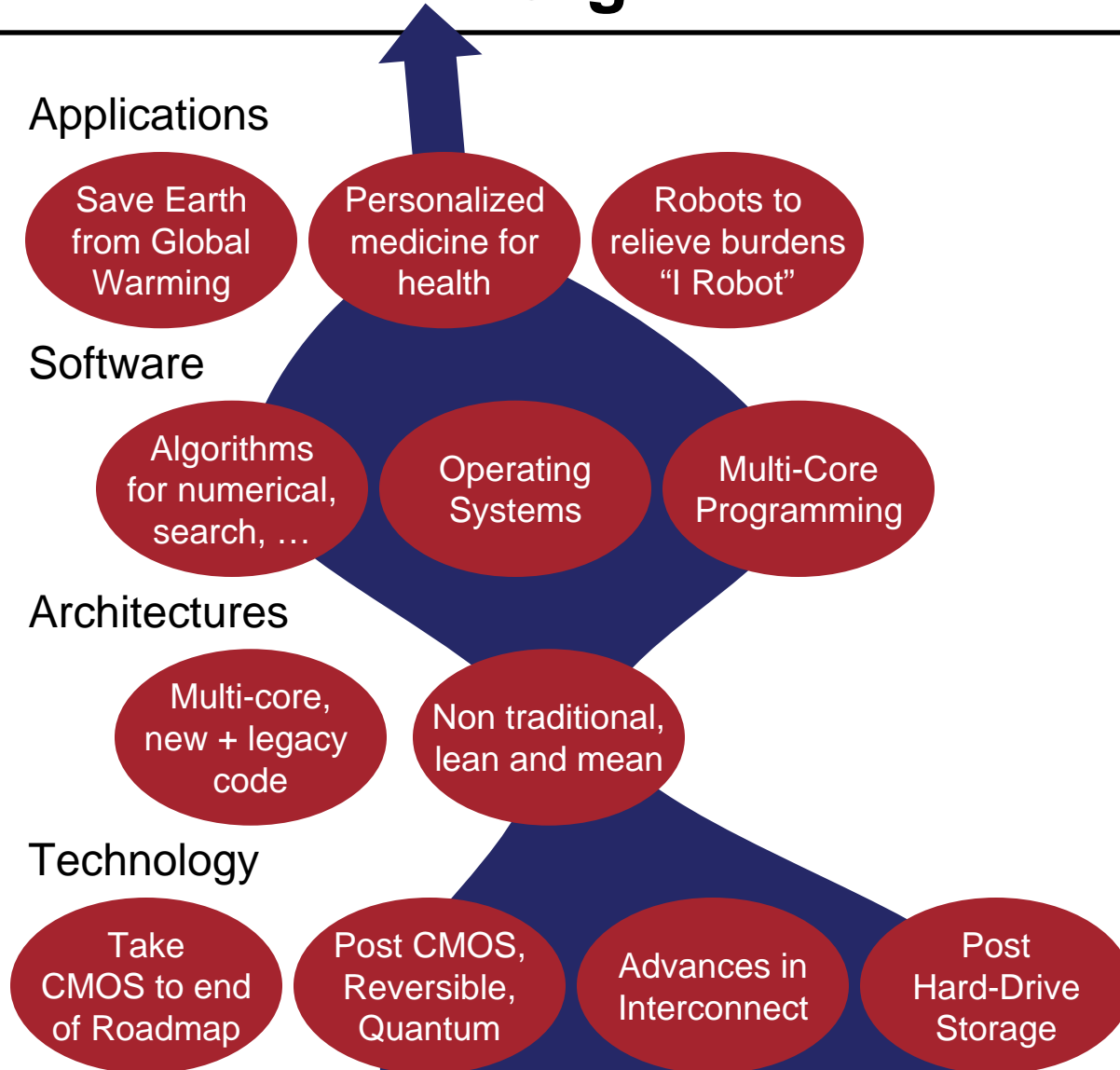
- **One result: Thomas Sterling as agreed to write a monograph**
- **Another result: Talks on Website and personal relationships enabling rhetoric in the future**
- **Action to Result**
  - **By Thursday lunch, have collected raw material for above**
- **Working groups: Participants please come to consensus on what you can agree upon**



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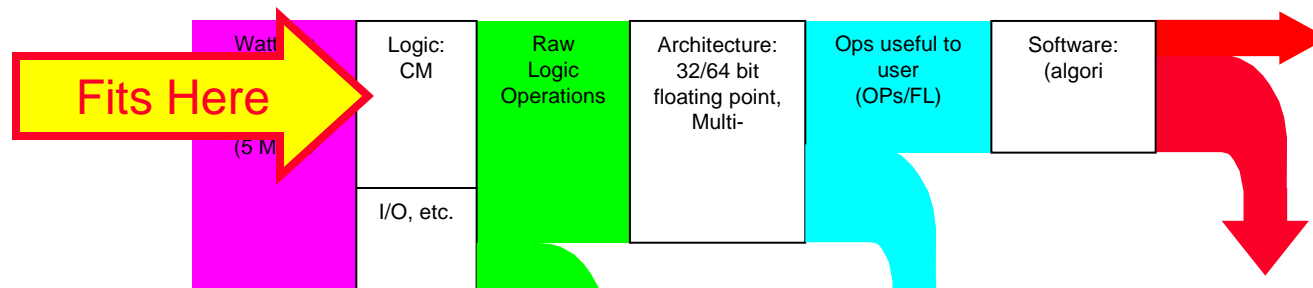


# Tuesday Speakers

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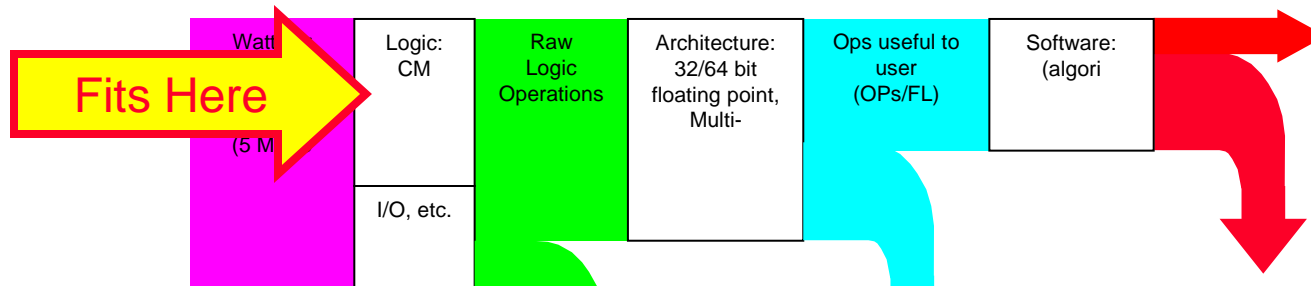
# Stan Williams

- **Talk Title:** *Sprinting Toward the Practical Limits of Computation*
- **Speaker Title:** HP Senior Fellow
- **History:** Presented at 2005 Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** Easy upside of 100x, another upside of 100x, hard going for the next 100x



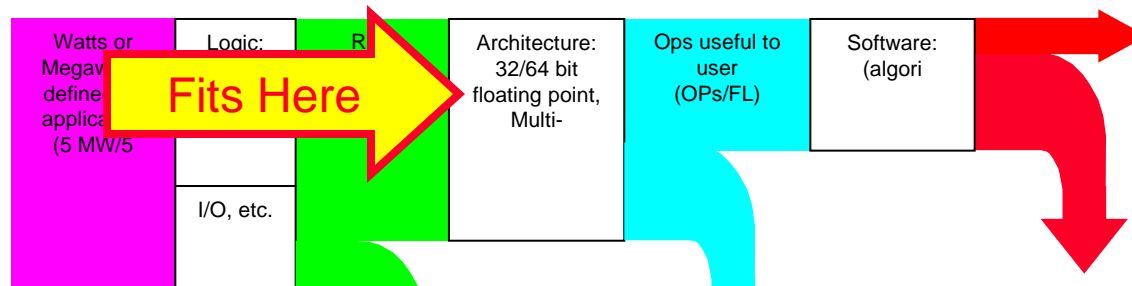
# Jag Shah

- **Talk Title:** *UNÍC: Intrachip Photonic Communications,*
- **Speaker Title:** Program Manager
- **History:** New to Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** Raising performance at the lower levels due to improved efficiency in optical communications



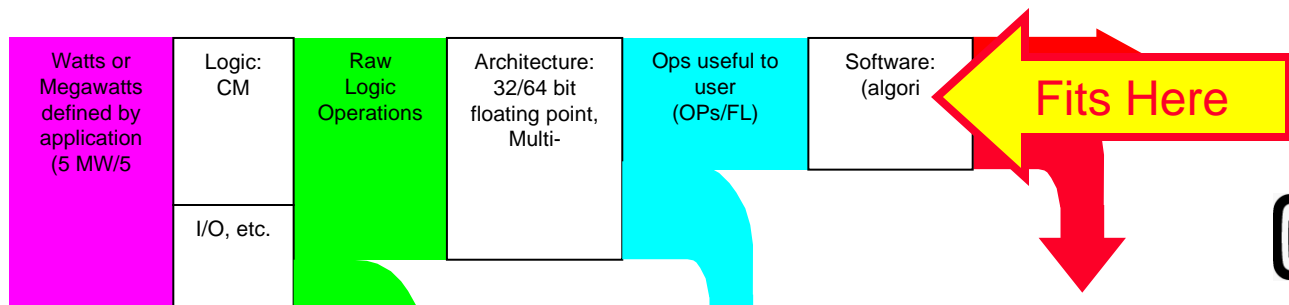
# Steve Scott

- **Talk Title:** *Supercomputer Architecture*
- **Speaker Title:** CTO, Cray
- **History:** Participated in 2005 Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** Architecture is a middle layer of the technology stack. An efficiency gain or loss at the architecture level “cross cuts” to all other levels.



# Kathy Yelick

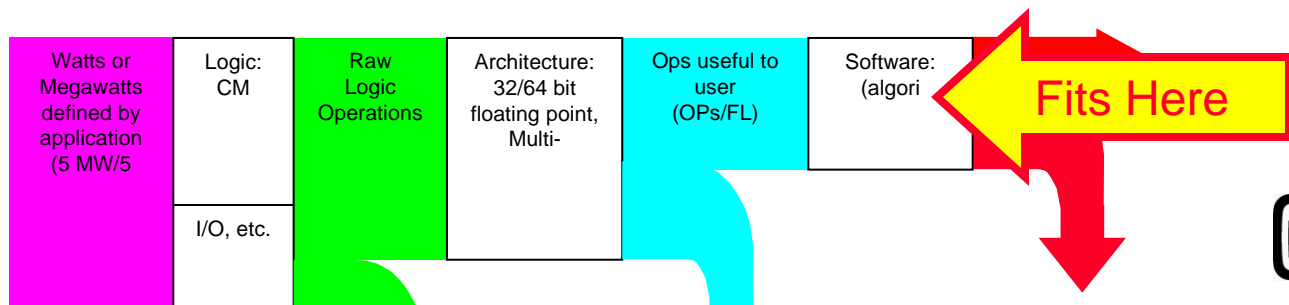
- **Talk Title:** *Programming Techniques to Harness Exaflops*
- **Speaker Title:** Professor
- **History:** New to Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** With flat lining clock rates, performance gains are dependent on programming techniques the permit effective use of more-and-more processors





# David Keyes

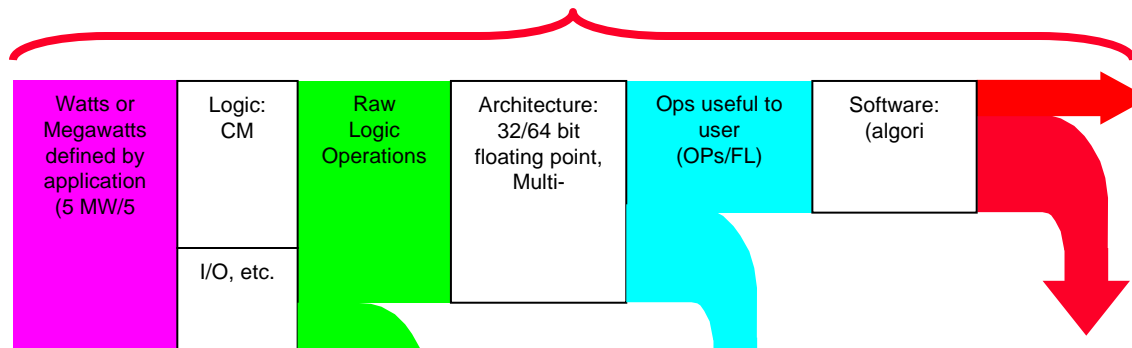
- **Talk Title:** *Scaling to Exaflop/s for Mesh-based Algorithms*
- **Speaker Title:** Faculty, Columbia
- **History:** Presented in 2005 Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** With flat lining clock rates, performance gains are dependent on programming techniques the permit effective use of more-and-more processors



# Sudip Dosanjh

- **Talk Title:** *Sandia's Programs in Supercomputing and Nanotechnology*
- **Speaker Title:** Senior Manager, Sandia National Laboratories
- **History:** Participated in 2004 Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** National Laboratories perform original R&D and can act as user facilities

Talk covers Sandia's Activities across whole spectrum



# Nathan Price

- **Talk Title:** *Computing Challenges for Systems Biology and Personalized Medicine*
- **Speaker Title:** Faculty, UIUC
- **History:** New to Workshop
- **Upside Potential:** This is an application of value to society, this and some other applications drive the entire industry

